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In the Specification:

FIGS 11A-11F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views illustrating the occluded shape of a laser beam in accordance to the present invention.

FIGS 12A-12F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views illustrating embodiments of the invention involving increasing the size of the laser beam subportions and reexposing the cornea.

FIGS 13A-13F are diagrammatic views of the operation according to an embodiment of the invention involving the use of overlapping subportions, having substantially parallel chords.

FIG 14 is a diagrammatic view of the exposures in a 90° rotation in compressed form.

FIGS 15-16 are diagrammatic views of the exposures in a 180° rotation in compressed form.